

YORE

yore, [Let.] n. Only of *y.*, in the past. (jɔ:).
'yorker, n. (In CRICKET) ball falling straight under BAT. (jɔ:kə).
you (your, yours), pron. The person(s) talked to; one, any person (*y. never know*). *Yours truly etc.*, form used for ending letter. -*r'self*, -*r'selves*. See SELF. (ju: (juə)).
young, i. a. In early stage of growth or development, opp. old. *One's y. man, woman*, sp., one's sweetheart; *y. blood*, younger persons taken into a society etc. to give it new force; *y. in*, sp., without much experience in; *y. ones*, dependent offspring. 2. n. pl. Y. animals or persons, y. offspring. *With y.*, about to give birth to offspring. -*ster*, n. Boy or girl. (jʌŋ).
youth, n. Being young, time when one is coming to full development; young man; young persons. -*ful*, a. Young or having qualities of youth. (ju:θ).
yule, n. Christmas. -*y.-log*, n. One burned on night before Christmas. -*y.-tide*, n. Christmas time. (ju:l).

Z

'zany, n. [Hist.] Sort of CLOWN; one who is foolish or feeble-minded. ('zeini).
zeal, n. Warm interest, giving of one's best work, for cause etc. -*ot* ('zelət), n. One with overmuch zeal for cause etc. -*ous* ('zeləs), a. (zi:l).
'zebra, n. Horse-like animal of Africa, banded with light and dark marks on skin. ('zi:brə).
'zebu, n. Cow-like animal in E. India. ('zi:bu:).
ze'nama, n. (In India) part of house in which women are kept. (zi'nɑ:mə).
'zenith, n. Point of sky straight over one's head; highest point of development, power etc. ('zeniθ).
'zephyr, n. The west wind, soft wind; sorts of thin dress-material. ('zefə).
'Zeppelin, n. G., sp. military, airship. ('zepəlin).
'zero, n. Number 0, nothing; starting-point on scale of heat-measuring instrument, etc. *Z. hour*, [Mil.] time fixed for attack. ('ziərou).
zest, n. Great interest or pleasure; pleasing, biting, taste or quality. (zest).
'zeugma, [Lang.] n. Placing of 2 words in the same relation to another which

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only goes rightly with one of them (*with smiling lips and hearts*). ('zju:gmə).
'zigzag, i. n. Straight lines joined and forming a number of equal or unequal angles, first one way and then the other; anything in this form. 2. a. Forming a z. 3. adv. In z. direction. 4. v.i. Go z. ('zigzag).
zinc, n. White metal used for roofing, for coating iron, etc. (zɪŋk).
'zinnia, n. Garden-plant with stiff, bright-coloured flowers. ('zinia).
'Zionist, n. Supporter of design to make Palestine a country for the Jews. ('zaɪənɪst).
zip, n. Sound like that of ball from gun going quickly through air.

-per, z.-fastener, nn. Apparatus for doing up dress, bag etc., formed of 2 metal bands with teeth which may be locked together by a part slipping up and down on them. (zip).
'zither(n), n. Music instrument with cords and flat sounding-board played resting on table etc. ('ziθə(n)).
'zodiac, n. Band of the sky outside which sun, moon, and great moving stars do not go, marked out into 12 equal divisions having names of 12 groups of stars. *The signs of the z.*, the 12 divisions of the z. used sp. in reading person's future from the stars. ('zouðiæk).
zone, n. Band of colour etc. round something; any one of the 5 divisions, based on degree of heat, into which the earth is marked off (*torrid z.*, *frigid z.*, *temperate z.*); any part of country, earth, a space, marked off by certain conditions or for some purpose (*war z.*, etc.). (zoun).
zoo, [Com.] n. ZOOLOGICAL gardens. (zu:).
zo'ology, n. Natural history of animals, science of their forms, grouping, distribution etc. *zoological* (zuə'lɒdʒɪkl), a. Sp., *z. gardens*, place where number of different sorts of living animals are kept and put on view. (zuə'lɒdʒi).
'zoophyte, n. Sorts of plant-like sea-animal. ('zouəfait).
zou'ave, n. Man of F.-Algerian REGIMENT. (zu:'ɑ:v).
zounds, [Old] int. Cry of angry protest. (zaundz).
'Zulu, n., a. (Person, language) of certain black group in S. Africa. ('zu:lʊ:).

SHORT FORMS

Words printed in great letters are to be turned to in the Dictionary, but in the expansions of the short forms, such print is only used to make clear that a word or word-group is to be turned to as the key to the rest; words in sloping print, if not made clear here, may be seen in the list of words from other languages.

A.1, first-rate.
A.A., Automobile Association.
A.B., ABLE-BODIED seaman.
acc., a/c., account.
A.D., ANNO DOMINI.
A.D.C., aide-de-camp.
ad(vt), advertisement.
aet(at), *aetatis* (aet. 7 = 7 years old).
a.m., ANTE MERIDIEM.
anon., anonymous.
A.R.P., Air Raid Precautions (organization against air attack on towns etc.).
Ass(n), Association.
Asst., Assistant (helping the chief).
A.T.S., [Mil.] Auxiliary Territorial Service (Women's force).
A.V., Authorized Version (the BIBLE as put into English in 1611).
b., birth.
B.A., BACHELOR of Arts (university DEGREE).
Bart., Bt., Baronet.
B.B.C., British Broadcasting Corporation.
B.C., before Christ (in numbering years).
B.E.F., British Expeditionary Force (army sent overseas).
B.M.A., British Medical Association.
B.Mus., Bachelor of Music (university DEGREE).
Bros., Brothers (in names of companies).
B.Sc., BACHELOR of Science (university DEGREE).
C.3, not healthy enough for army, etc.
c., cent(s); chapter.
C., centigrade.
Cantab., of Cambridge.
cap., *caput* (CHAPTER).
Capt., Captain.
C.B., confinement to barracks (military punishment).
cf., see for comparison.
ch(ap), chapter.
C.I.D., Criminal Investigation Department (of London Police).
c.i.f., cost, insurance, and freight (used in trade).
C.I.G.S., [Mil.] Chief of Imperial General Staff.
C.-in-C., [Mil.] Commander-in-Chief.
circ., CIRCA.
Co., Company; COUNTY (of Ireland).
C.O., Colonial Office; [Mil.] commanding officer; CONSCIENTIOUS objector.
c/o, care of (put on outside of letters etc.).
C.O.D., CASH on delivery.
Col., Colonel.
Co-op., CO-OPERATIVE society.

cp., see for comparison.
Cpl., Corporal.
cr., creditor (in bookkeeping).
cwt., hundredweight(s).
d., death; penny, pennies.
D.C.M., [Mil.] Distinguished-Conduct Medal.
D.D., Doctor of Divinity (university DEGREE).
dept., department.
D.F.C., D.F.M., [Mil.] Distinguished Flying Cross, Medal.
D.Lit., Doctor of Literature (university DEGREE).
do., ditto.
D.O.R.A., Defence of the Realm Act (limiting hours of trade, etc.).
doz., dozen(s).
dr., debtor.
Dr., doctor.
D.Sc., Doctor of Science (university DEGREE).
D.S.C., D.S.M., D.S.O., [Mil.] Distinguished Service Cross, Medal, Order.
D.V., *Deo volente*.
dwt., pennyweight(s).
E., east.
e.g., *exempli gratia* (for example).
E.P.D., Excess Profits Duty (tax on war profits).
Esq., Esquire.
etc., ET CETERA.
et seq., *et sequentia* (and what comes after).
exam., examination.
F(ahr), Fahrenheit.
f., ff., [Mus.] *forte*, *fortissimo* (loud, very loud).
fig., FIGURE (= map, design, etc.).
fl(or), *floruit* (was living, in existence).
f.o.b., free on board (used in trade).
F.P., fire plug (= HYDRANT).
Fr., Father (used before name of PRIEST).
F.R.C.P., F.R.C.S., Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, Surgeons.
F.R.S., Fellow of the Royal Society.
ft., foot, feet (measure).
gal., gallon(s).
G.B., Great Britain.
G.C.M., [Math.] greatest common measure.
Gen., [Mil.] General.
G.H.Q., [Mil.] General Headquarters.
G.M.T., Greenwich mean time (as measured at Greenwich, used in England).
G.O.C., [Mil.] General Officer Commanding.
G.P.O., General Post Office.
gr., grain(s) (weight).
H.B.M., His or Her Britannic MAJESTY.
H.C.F., [Math.] highest common factor.